MESSRS. K. RAMANNA, GIDDEGOWDA AND VENKATASHAMAIYA (Hole-Narsipur).—

Q.—**31.** Will the Government be pleased to state whether any survey has been made for extending the South Channel of the Sriramadevaru Dam, Hole-Narsipur Taluk; if so, how far has the survey been made; is there any information as to the extent that will be brought under wet cultivation and how many villages will be benefited thereby; have any mutchalikas been obtained from the raiyats regarding recovery of contribution; has any beginning been made for putting the work on hand ?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, K. R. S. WORKS.—

A.—No surveys for the extension of the South Channel have been undertaken or will be undertaken for the following reasons :—

(1) The supplly in the river Hemavathi falls short of the requirements of existing irrigation in the months of October, November and December of bad years under the north and south channels of Sriramadevaru Dam and the Mandagere and the Hemagiri channels as extended. The river supplies for anicut irrigation have thus been fully exploited and there is therefore no water available in all bad years for further extensions.

(2) Even if water were available (which however it is not), according to the Agreement with Madras, no extensions are permissible under the existing channels except to the extent of $\frac{1}{3}$ of the atchakat as it existed in 1910 and even such extensions have to be undertaken not by drawing off more water from the river, but by improvement of duties, *i.e.*, by economising the present supplies and utilising any surplus saved in this manner for extensions.

Government have ordered (in G. O. 411-21—K. R.S. 2565-75, dated 13th May 1924) investigation of possible extensions by economising existing supplies. Any feasible extensions under such conditions will be considered when the result of investigations are before Government.

MESSRS. MARULASIDDAPPA AND RUDRAPPA (Arsikere).—

Q.—**32.** Will the Government be pleased to state :—

What is the number of foreign scholarships granted each year from 1910 to 1924 and for how many years in each case ?

(2) What are the names of such persons and what are the communities to which they belong ?

(3) What is the number of applicants that applied for such scholarships during these years ?

(4) Have any Lingayets (Veerasaivas) or persons of other communities applied for such scholarships since 1910 and were any granted, and if so, what are their names ?

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.—

A.—(1) and (2) A statement furnishing the information is placed on the Table.

(3) The total number of applications received cannot be stated.

(4) A few Lingayets applied for, but none has been granted a foreign scholarship since 1910. The names of applicants of other communities who were granted foreign scholarships are given in the statement referred to above.

Supplementary Questions.

Mr. D. S. Mallappa.—

With reference to answer No. (3) does it mean that it is not possible to give the information ?

Chief Secretary.—

No list has been maintained and hence the number of applications cannot be stated.

Mr. Mallappa.—

How many Lingayets have been given foreign scholarships subsequent to 1910 ?

Dewan.—

No information.

Mr. Mallappa.—

Can the Government state the number prior to 1910 ?

Chief Secretary.—

That information also is not available.

Mr. Mallappa.—

Why is the information not available ?

Chief Secretary.—

Because all applications received by Government are referred to a Committee for the selection of candidates for foreign scholarships. The Government decides upon the recommendations made by them.

Mr. Mallappa.—

Had the Government always acted upon the recommendations of the Committee ?

Chief Secretary.—

Yes.

Dewan.—

The Committee considers the qualifications, etc., of the several candidates who apply for scholarships and makes their recommendations to Government on which the decision of Government will be based.

Mr. G. Paramasiviah.—

Till now no Lingayet candidate has been awarded any foreign scholarship. Will the Government be kind enough to show some concession at least hereafter to this community who form one-seventh of the population of the State in regard to the grant of such scholarships, it bring the policy of the Government to encourage students of the backward communities.

Dewan.—

There is no such thing as right, in awarding foreign scholarships to a particular community. Different subjects will be chosen and candidates possessing the requisite qualifications will be selected by the committee appointed for the purpose. Reservation of scholarships to a particular community is not the basis as it will not be good for the country. Let the student come forward from any community ; if he happens to be the best student, he will be given a scholarship. It is left to the Committee to send up their recommendation and Government will then finally decide the question.

Mr. Sanjiviah.—

Will the Government be pleased to state who the members of the Committee are and whether there are any non-officials on it?

Dewan.—

If you refer to the Gazette, you will get the information.

Mr. Mahomed Abbas Khan.—

Will the Government be pleased to state whether it is their policy not to give the information asked for or whether it is not possible for them to do so owing to absence of records ?

Dewan.—

There are certain rules for the preservation of records. These applications are not permanent records like the Settlement records and as such, they will be destroyed after some time. Government cannot permanently keep a list of applicants. This is the explanation why it is not possible to give correct information about the exact number of applications.

Mr. Abdul Nabi.—

Will the Government be pleased to state (1) whether there is any rule to the effect that foreign free scholarships should be given to graduates only and if no non-graduate has been awarded this scholarship (2) whether any Mahomedan graduate applied for this scholarship in 1923-24 and (3) whether Mr. Sultan Mohiyuddin was given a scholarship and if so, the nature of the same.

Dewan.—

(1) Foreign scholarships are of different kinds. Damodardas scholarships are awarded only to graduates; but this restriction is not observed in the case of deputation scholarships.

(2) You will get the information from the statement.

(3) The scholarship given to Mr. Sultan Mohiyuddin was a loan scholarship; but part of the loan has been excused.

MESSRS. M. S. NARASINGA RAO AND PATTI BASSAPPAH, (Molakalmuru).—

Q.—33. With reference to the Jail population in the Mysore State, will the Government be pleased to furnish the following information :—(*a*) The total number of (1) males, (2) females, (3) vegetarians and (4) non-vegetarians, (5) particulars of diet in the case of vegetarians, (6) provision made for giving a bath to all prisoners.

(*b*). Is there any provision for prisoners reading or hearing the reading of sacred books ?